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1. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING SOON AS POSSIBLE CURRENT OVERVIEW OF POLITICAL SCENE IN AUSTRALIA. ARE ELECTIONS MORE LIKELY BECAUSE OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS (SUCH AS RESIGNATION OF SPEAKER)? WHAT WILL BE EFFECT OF MURPHY REPLACEMENT? ARE FURTHER REVELATIONS EMPARRASSING TO GOVERNMENT LIKELY IN MOROSI AFFAIR? HOW MUCH HAS IMAGE OF ALP SUFFERED? HOW DOES WHITLAM NOW STAND IN ALP, VIS-A-VIS THE LEFTWING? WHERE DOES LEADERSHIP SITUATION STAND IN LIBERAL PARTY? TO WHAT EXTENT WOULD FOREIGN POLICY, INVESTMENT ISSUES PLAY ROLE IN ANY CAMPAIGN?

2. EXPEDITIOUS REPORT ALONG ABOVE LINES WOULD BE MOST USEFUL TO AMBASSADOR GREEN. KISSINGER

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